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## NORTHERN ARIZ. MAN SENTENCED TO 27 MONTHS IN PRISON FOR AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

PHOENIX – Yazzie Allen, 50, of Moenave, Ariz., was sentenced on November 2, 2009, by U.S. District Judge James A. Teilborg to 27 months in federal prison. The prison term will be followed by a six month placement in an inpatient alcohol rehabilitation program while on three years supervised release. Allen pleaded guilty on August 20, 2009 to a domestic assault which occurred on the Navajo Nation.

On February 6, 2009, after spending most of the day drinking, Allen became enraged and assaulted his partner by pummeling her with his hands and feet causing serious injury. A family member of Allen's came to her aid which allowed the victim an opportunity to escape.

Co-defendants Rene Ayllon Castaneda and Inigo Escobar-Escobar both pleaded guilty to the misdemeanor charge of Aiding and Abetting an Alien to Elude Examination and Inspection and were sentenced to 90 days in federal prison.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Navajo Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution was handled by Roger Dokken, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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